

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-18 are pending, Claims 3 and 12 having been amended by way of the present amendment.

In the outstanding Office Action, Claims 3, 8, 9, 12, 17, and 18 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph; and Claims 1, 2, 4-7, 10, 11, and 13-16 were indicated as being allowed.

Applicants appreciatively acknowledge the identification of allowable subject matter. In reply, Applicants have adopted the language recommended by the Examiner for amending Claims 3 and 12 to place Claims 3, 8, 9, 12, 17 and 18 in condition for allowance.

In view of the present amendment and indication of Claims 1-18 containing allowable subject matter, it is respectfully submitted that the present invention defined by Claims 1-18 is definite. The present application is therefore believed to be in allowable condition and an action to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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